

CHAIRMEN REPORT FARMERS GLAD TO GROW LESS COTTON

With Few Exceptions Little Difficulty is Being Experienced Getting Pledges to Reduce Acreage in Favor of Feed Crops—Some Landlords Insist on Fleecy Staple.

County Agent N. R. Tisdal reports that most of the community chairmen are having little trouble in obtaining pledges to reduce the cotton acreage at least one-third as compared with the acreage for 1918. As a general thing the farmers of the county are responding readily to the campaign. However, there are some sections that are a bit backward. This applies particularly to the Odell community. Mr. Tisdal believes that the cotton growers in the northwest part of the county will be harder than those in any other section to get to sign the pledge.

Taking the county generally, the county agent says that the response is satisfactory. Every farmer in the Brown community, with one exception, has pledged himself to reduce his cotton acreage. Practically all in the Doans community, except those who are bound by their rent contracts, have signed the pledge. In discussing the matter with a number of farmers it seems apparent that there are many landowners who are standing in the way of the success of the campaign. A great many of the tenants say that they would be glad to reduce cotton and plant more feed but for the demand of their landlord that they plant a certain per cent in cotton.

Bankers and business men agree that this is a regrettable situation and urge that the most profitable system of farming both to the landlord and the tenant is to practice diversification. Theodore V. Wensel, chairman of the Cotton Publicity Committee at Natchez, Miss., analyzes the situation of the cotton farmer in the following statement:

"By cutting down your cotton acreage you need not reduce your land under cultivation. A farmer's business is to farm, and every acre he can make productive adds that much more to the wealth of the world. But a farmer's business is also a business and he should not run it at a loss.

"Many people never realize that the average cotton farmer's situation is something like this: He borrows money, pays rent and either gives his own labor and that of his family or hires labor to work enough land that will produce say ten bales of cotton. Usually by the end of the season, either through bad weather conditions or because of boll weevil activity, or because of rainy weather during the picking season, or a scarcity of cotton pickers, his ten bales are reduced to eight bales.

"Now taking 30 cents a pound as the market price for cotton, we find that of this eight bales four bales will be good enough grade to bring the full market price of 30 cents a pound, or a total of \$600. The other four bales, because of bad weather during picking or carelessness of pickers, or various other reasons, might average say 18 cents a pound, \$90 a bale, or \$360 for four bales, or a total of \$960 for his year's crop. This farmer started out to make ten bales of cotton worth \$1,500. Yet his gross income dwindled down to \$960. The Southern farmers are certainly entitled to at least 30 cents a pound for their cotton under present conditions, and they should get it.

"Diversification of crops is a common sense policy for a farmer. If your cotton crop goes wrong, you have your corn, your cattle, your hogs, or other crops. During 1919 you will make more money by cutting your usual cotton acreage and putting more land into feed and food crops.

"Plant corn. Feed it to the hogs. If necessary. The minimum base as established by U. S. Food Administration for hogs, will probably remain in effect several months. Even when this price restriction is removed there will be money in hogs. Europe is short of fats, and it will be a long while before pork gets so cheap as to be unprofitable to the raiser. Europe needs food. Europe is not in a position to raise a big crop in 1919, or even next year.

"America must help feed her. Plant some of your land in feedstuffs and foodstuffs, then you will be helping to both feed and clothe the world and make a reasonable profit for yourself."

351 ON PETITION CALLING ELECTION FOR ROAD BONDS

Some Lists Have Not Been Turned in and It Is Likely That 500 Signers Have Already Been Secured—Two-Thirds Vote Necessary—1,000 Will Probably Carry Election.

Petitions calling for an election on road bonds in the county to the amount of \$1,500,000 have been presented to the Commissioners Court. The petitions already submitted have 351 signatures, and several lists are still out. It is probable that by the time the matter is considered by the Court 500 signatures will be secured. No date has been suggested for the election. The Commissioners meet next week and may consider ordering an election at that time.

The law requires that a petition calling for a county-wide issue of bonds must have 250 signatures of property taxpayers voters before an election can be ordered. Thus, there are already more than sufficient signers to petitions presented to the Court to assure that the election will be ordered.

There were 1,691 poll taxes in the county by men this year. Only male property taxpayers voters are entitled to vote in bond elections. Men over sixty years of age are not required to pay poll tax and there is no way of estimating the number of such voters in the county. County Tax Collector C. M. Blair estimates that the number of property taxpayers voters is about the same as the number of poll taxpayers. Some men pay poll tax, but do not pay property tax. These cannot vote in bond elections. On this basis, Mr. Blair estimates that the voting strength of the county on a bond issue will be about 1,700. Two-thirds of the voters in such an election must approve the issue in order to carry it.

If a full vote is polled, 1,133 votes would be necessary to carry the bonds. But, as a matter of fact, a full vote is never polled in any election. It is probable that the vote on the bonds will be less than 1,500. One thousand affirmative votes, then, would adopt the bonds. Perhaps half this number of property taxpayers voters already signed petitions calling for the election.

LUTHERANS TO RAISE \$3,000,000. Laymen and Ministers of Panhandle District Are Meeting in Vernon To Make Plans.

Laymen and ministers of the Panhandle district of the Lutheran Church are meeting in Vernon today for the purpose of planning a campaign for a permanent endowment fund for pastors, teachers, professors and their dependents. The campaign will be held during two weeks from March 20th to April 12th.

This drive is nation-wide in its scope and it is planned to raise a total of \$3,000,000. Each congregation is asked to contribute a sum at least equal to 10 per cent of subscriptions of members to the various Liberty Bond issues. It is believed that such a basis will provide ample funds.

The conference is scheduled to begin at 2:30 o'clock at the Lutheran Church in East Vernon. Rev. J. A. Birnbaum, the pastor-host, estimates that 16 to 20 laymen and ministers will be in attendance.

NO BIDS FOR BOURLAND SCHOOL.

Trustees Will Receive Applications to Erect Brick Building Until March 15.

The trustees of the Bourland District had received no bids proposing to build their brick school house on Feb. 26, the day set for opening bids. For this reason the time for receiving bids was extended from February 26 till March 15.

The building is to be of brick and will cost in the neighborhood of \$11,000. It will be constructed on the B. H. Lewis place about three and one-half miles east of Vernon.

Dr. Flaniken to Tulane.

Dr. B. D. Flaniken and family left last night for New Orleans, La., where Dr. Flaniken will spend some time studying in the Medical College of Tulane University. His family will make their home in the Louisiana metropolis indefinitely.

PRESIDENT MARCHES IN PARADE OF SOLDIER BOYS



Typical of the welcomes that will be accorded returning soldiers in all cities of the United States, Washington turned out to welcome 3,000 soldiers who went to war from the District of Columbia, many of whom saw service at the front. Led by President Wilson, the procession recalled the days when the Grand Army swung down historic Pennsylvania avenue in glorification of the successful struggle to preserve the Union. Ten thousand civilians joined in the parade as escort to the marching heroes, while thousands thronged the sidewalks and cheered the veterans. Above airplanes circled back and forth and sausage balloons were hauled along, attached to motor trucks. The strange procession in the air was given an added zest by the occasional appearance of dirigibles, scurrying low above the buildings like blunt nosed fish.

BAPTISTS PUT OVER EDUCATIONAL LOAN

LOCAL CHURCH RAISES \$1,500 IN CAMPAIGN LASTING ANOTHER WEEK.

Rev. W. T. Rouse, manager of the Baptist Loyalty Loan campaign in this county, announces that the local church will raise about \$1,500. Pastors over the county have not reported, and Rev. Rouse has no idea how much will be secured in the county. An active effort has been made at all points.

Announcement was made Saturday night by the executive board of the Baptist Church in charge of the campaign that the sum of \$1,000,000 asked for was assured. It was stated, however, that the workers will take another week in which to conclude the campaign. The campaign was to close Saturday.

While no announcement has been made as to the amount of bonds sold, it is the opinion of those in charge that at least \$1,000,000 has been secured. The money will be used for educational work mainly.

DISCHARGED FIGHTERS TOLD HOW TO OBTAIN \$60 BONUS

Discharged soldiers and sailors who are entitled to receive the \$60 bonus upon leaving the military service should forward their order for discharge or discharge certificates, if one is received, together with a statement of all military service since April 5, 1917, showing date and place of reporting at first military station and name and address of applicant, to the zone finance officer, Lemon building, Washington, D. C. No further documents or correspondence is necessary except in case of change in address.

This announcement has been made in explanation of the recent act of Congress providing for the payment of the bonus to persons discharged from the military service. Soldiers and sailors and friends and relatives of these should see that this matter is brought to the attention of men entitled to receive the bonus.

Special Session in June.

Governor W. P. Hobby has announced that the special session of the Legislature will not be called until about the middle of June. This is made necessary by the failure of the Legislature to pass the general appropriation bills. An earlier date was suggested, but the Governor said a session would be necessary to pass needed legislation to make the prohibition and possibly other amendments operative. An election on prohibition and woman suffrage amendments will be held May 24th. The adoption of both is considered certain.

FORMER VERNON BOY PRESIDENTIAL AIDE

EMMETT CONDON IS ATTACHED TO AMERICAN STAFF AT PEACE CONFERENCE.

A former Vernon boy, Emmett Condon, is attached to the American staff at the Peace Conference as president-tid aide and confidential assistant to Peace Commissioner Henry White. He is a first lieutenant and was a member of President Wilson's party on the visit to Italy, returning to this country on the George Washington with the President. After a brief visit with his mother, Mrs. Fannie Condon, in Kansas City, he will return to Paris.

Lieutenant Condon went to France with one of the first contingents of American troops at the outbreak of the war and saw active service at the front. Soon after his arrival he sustained a severe injury to his right arm in a trench cave-in. While recuperating in a hospital he received his officer's commission and was detailed to duty with the intelligence department, adjutant general's staff, in London. His duties carried him to various parts of the British Isles and to important centers on the continent of Europe.

He was the first American officer to meet survivors of the Otranto disaster when they were landed in England. Because of distinguished activity in rescue work at that time he was recommended for promotion to captain, but the commission was held up by the order stopping all promotions after November 11, when the armistice became effective.

Lieutenant Condon was born and reared in Vernon, going to Kansas City with his mother and other members of the family about six years ago. Before the war he was employed by the Commerce Trust Company in Kansas City. Local friends are pleased to hear of his splendid army record.

Berry and Parnell on Pro Committee.

At a state-wide conference held in Austin Saturday plans were made for an energetic campaign in behalf of the constitution to be voted on May 24th. A central state committee of nine was named, headed by R. Harper Kirby, was named and general state committee appointed. W. D. Berry and J. D. Parnell of this city were named on the committee.

Executive Committee to Meet.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Wilbarger county chapter of the American Red Cross will meet tomorrow afternoon in the directors room of the Waggoner National Bank. All members are urged to attend.

MARVIN SWEATMON IN 3 BIG BATTLES

FARGO BOY SAYS GERMANS THINK AMERICAN SOLDIERS ARE CRAZY FIGHTERS.

Mrs. F. M. Sweatmon of Fargo is in receipt of a letter from her son, Marvin, who is at Remington, Germany, with Regimental Headquarters, Company I, 165 Inf. The letter follows: "I can hardly wait for the time to come home. I believe it will be some time in June. I have been mighty lucky in the war, getting a little too much gas one time and another time a machine gun bullet came a bit near my leg, but I have never been sick. I was in three big battles and one skirmish, in the St. Mihiel, the Argonne and the last big battle of the war, the Sedan drive. However, I did not see much drive to it. It looked more like a race. The Germans were going as hard as they could, throwing away cannon and ammunition, blowing up bridges and killing horses in their efforts to get out of our way.

"I asked a German boy where we are staying what they thought of the French, the English, the Belgian and the American soldiers. He said the English were good soldiers when they were in a tank and knew they could not get hit; the French were so slow they never could catch up; the Belgians were really good soldiers but this was not their war; the Americans, he said, were crazy and would walk into a machine gun with their eyes open and with nothing but rifles.

"I wanted to get mad at first but decided afterwards that he was right for I remembered one time when we ran into some machine guns the captain ordered us to lie down and commence shooting, but we did not have a round of ammunition. 'What's the matter, no ammunition,' said the captain. 'Well, we will have to fake them with the bayonet.' And we did."

BARRED ROCKS AVERAGE 18 EGGS TO HEN FOR JANUARY

Mrs. W. M. Reed has ten Barred Rock hens, of whose laying proclivities she is justly proud. The hens produced fourteen dozen and nine eggs during January. This is an average of about eighteen eggs to each hen during the month.

During February Mrs. Reed's hens laid thirteen dozen and three eggs, or an average of sixteen eggs to each hen. Mrs. Reed keeps her hens in a yard, and feeds them barley, wheat bran, and table scraps. From their record, she knows that her hens do pay a profit, after laying eggs enough to pay their board.

ASKING FOR TREES TO PLANT IN CITY PARK NEXT WEEK

Committee Will Call Tuesday Upon All Who Notify Mrs. J. A. Carney of Willingness to Donate—Shade Is First Requirement for Recreation Ground—Other Improvements Planned.

The committee in charge of Ballow Park wants trees to set out in this public recreation spot. Tuesday has been designated as "tree day," at which time it is planned to call for all trees donated, and set them out. Any kind of a tree will be accepted, says W. W. Bennett. It is hoped, however, that the harder varieties will be offered.

Persons who are willing to give a tree for the park are asked to notify Mrs. J. A. Carney. There is no embargo on money, and any public spirited man or woman who can not give a tree is asked to donate money, which will be used for the purchase of a tree.

With the supply of water running from springs in the city park, the committee feels that the growth of trees will be remarkably rapid, and that if a goodly number are set out next Tuesday it will only be a relatively short time until there is a grove in the park which will afford ample shade.

The planting of trees is only one of the improvements planned for the Ballow Park. The committee is working on a road into the property, the springs will be cleaned out, and it is hoped to pipe the water to various places where fountains may be set up.

Another plan, which will appeal to the small boy particularly, is that of a swimming pool. It is thought that a place for swimming can be constructed at relatively little cost, using the spring water to fill it.

Grass and flowers will be set out, and the work which was in last year continued. Plans are being made to put up temporary arbors to provide shade until trees are large enough to shade the ground.

The committee would be glad to have all who are interested in helping to work with them Tuesday. However, it would be well for those inclined to help with the work to see W. W. Bennett, so that tools and transportation may be arranged for, and the work carried on in an orderly way.

What the committee wants most of all now, however, is trees.

CELEBRATED GOLDEN WEDDING. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bitner, 6 Miles Southwest, Had Been Married Fifty Years Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Martha Bitner, living six miles southwest of Vernon, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sunday. It was an ideal day to recall the happy occasion which fifty years before made the couple man and wife and a number of friends were invited to the anniversary dinner.

Rev. R. V. Tooley preached the anniversary sermon at 2 o'clock. Mr. Bitner was born June 10, 1849 in Tennessee. Mrs. Martha Bitner was born March 12, 1853 in Illinois. Eleven children were born to this union, seven of whom are living. They are John G. Reuben M., Geo. W., Jim and Samuel, Mrs. Mary M. Mayberry, and Minnie Bitner, an adopted daughter. Reuben Bitner is now in France in the service of his country.

WEST VERNON WINS AT BASKET BALL FROM FARMERS VALLEY

In a basket ball game between the senior girls of the West Vernon and Farmers Valley schools played on the West Vernon court Friday afternoon, the visitors were defeated by a score of 22 to 20. It was an exciting game from start to finish, and not until the final whistle was blown was there any certainty as to who would be the winner. Prof. Elder Thornton of Farmers Valley acted as referee.

A. C. Rayzor Building Home.

A. C. Rayzor has closed the contract for the construction of a residence on West Paradise street. Mr. Rayzor purchased the lot from C. T. Sullivan and the new home will be located just west of R. B. Sherrill's residence. The plans call for six rooms and two porches and the house will cost in the neighborhood of \$4,000. W. R. Derr will have charge of the carpenter work.

IMPROVED COTTON SEED BOUGHT BY BANKERS SHIPPED

County Agent Asks Farmers and Club Members Who Want to Grow Improved Staple Under Government Supervision to See Him Quickly—More Than Half of Allotment Spoken For.

The Lone Star cotton seed bought for the farmers of this county by the Herring National and the Farmers State banks have been shipped from Dallas and should arrive within the next day or two. These seed are the allotment for Wilbarger county from several hundred bushels purchased by the State Bankers Association and placed in the hands of the county agent at Dallas for distribution throughout the state. The seed for this county will be distributed through County Agent N. R. Tisdal. They will come in three-bushel sacks and will be sold at actual cost, which is \$3.25 per bushel, plus the freight from Dallas.

Mr. Tisdal says he is experiencing no trouble in selling the seed. In fact the demand promises to exceed the supply. Those who buy the seed are obliged to raise and gin the cotton under the supervision of the Government, but this fact seems to be only an added inducement to those who are interested in the proposition. The county agent feels that the cooperation the Government is receiving from the farmers in this section of the State is very gratifying, and especially so in Wilbarger county.

At one time there seemed to be prevalent a suspicion among the farmers that the Government agricultural work was a fake—that it was more theoretical than practical—but they are beginning to realize now that the Government has actually protected and assisted them in many ways. The fact that farming can be improved by a scientific study is beginning to dawn on the average man.

Of the 66 bushels of seed allotted to the farmers of this county already forty bushels have been spoken for and more are being ordered every day. Enthusiasm among the members of the boys' clubs has not developed to any great extent and only forty two of the 101 bushels allotted to them have been signed for. Mr. Tisdal urges that all who want any of these seed come and speak for them as soon as possible.

The ten bushels of the new variety of cotton seed sent to this county for experimental purposes have arrived and those who have spoken for them can get them from the county agent. This seed is an out growth of the Lone Star cotton and is thought to be an improvement on that variety. These seed will be grown under the direction of the county agent to assure that they will be free from taint by other seed. No name has yet been chosen for the new variety.

WILL TAKE SCHOLASTIC CENSUS.

Superintendent B. F. Sisk Will List All Children in Vernon Seven to Eighteen.

Superintendent B. F. Sisk of the public schools, is taking the scholastic census of Vernon, and expects to finish the work during March. The census includes all children within the city scholastic age on September 1; that is, between the ages of seven and eighteen years.

Professor Sisk says the scholastic census last year showed 1,263 names. He has no idea what it will be this year, but says it may be less on account of a number of boys who are not yet eighteen years old being in the service of the United States.

Wanted at Altus for Burglary.

The local officers apprehended two 17-year-old boys at Quanah and placed them in the jail here last Saturday. One of the boys, giving his name as Marion Feters, is wanted at Altus, Okla., on a charge of burglarizing a jewelry store. The other one, who says his name is Raymond Wright, is thought to be one of a number of prisoners who recently escaped from the jail at Wichita Falls. The youths were taken at Altus and Wichita Falls, respectively, Sunday. It is said the youngsters first aroused suspicion by attempting to dispose of a lot of jewelry at Quanah.

More's Theatre

TODAY—TUESDAY.

MRS. CHARLIE CHAPLIN. (nee MILDRED HARRIS) in "FOR HUSBAND'S ONLY."

But don't forget to bring your wife! A big dramatic treat for the whole family. Also comedy, 2 parts, "HIS BOMB POLICY."

WEDNESDAY.

JOHN BARRYMORE in "HERE COMES THE BRIDE."

FATTY ARBUCKLE in "GOOD NIGHT NURSE."

2 part comedy. Don't miss his big treat for 10c and 20c.


THURSDAY, MATINEE & NIGHT

Prices 15c and 25c.

Colonel Theodore Roosevelt in "THE FIGHTING ROOSEVELTS"

A thrilling American drama of adventure and achievement, from the cradle to the White House, an authorized version of the life and works of Theodore Roosevelt.

COMING FRIDAY—WALLACE REID in "THE DUB."



Theodore Roosevelt

SOME OF HIGHWAY OVERSEERS NAMED

IN PRECINCTS 2, 3, AND 4 MEN WHO WILL DIRECT ROAD WORK APPOINTED.

The county commissioners have not as yet completed their list of road overseers appointments. Clois L. Greene, commissioner from Precinct No. 1, has appointed no road overseers for his precinct and none of the other commissioners have appointed men for every district. This matter will probably be taken up at their next meeting Monday. Consideration of the petitions for the election on the \$1,500,000 road bonds will probably be brought up at this meeting.

Following are the road overseers and their respective district numbers in Precinct No. 2: For district No. 1, J. A. Petrie; No. 2, W. F. McKey; No. 3, Geo. Key; No. 4, M. H. Lewis; No. 5, Bob Crawford; No. 7, H. W. Wensel; No. 8, H. N. Norton; No. 11, M. Pigg; No. 12, J. L. Clark; No. 14, Tom Perry; No. 16, H. Y. Pitts; No. 17, Otto Obenhaus.

In precinct No. 3: No. 1, R. M. Goodpasture; No. 3, S. D. Lovelace; No. 4, W. B. Germany; No. 5, P. B. Barrett; No. 6, J. L. Burk; No. 7, John Barnes; No. 9, Charlie Hobson; No. 11, Calhoun Turner; No. 13, F. M. Turner; No. 16, C. A. Wickard; No. 17, W. B. Lovelace; No. 18, Sam Jones; No. 21, H. Hicks; No. 22, Jim Crisp; No. 26, Grover Phillips; No. 27, Jim Hart; No. 28, Willie Hart; No. 29, W. F. Moore; No. 32, Ed Jones.

In precinct No. 4: No. 1, J. W. Oller; No. 2, N. J. Reed; No. 3, H. C. Greer; No. 5, C. H. Whirlow; No. 6, R. B. Vaughn; No. 8, Albert Stone; No. 10, George Smith; No. 16, Press Vaughn.

MOTOR SUCCEEDS PLUG TRAIN.

New Electric Car on Frisco Connecting at Frederick for Burk Burnett and Wichita Falls.

A motor car has replaced the plug train on the Frisco between Vernon and Snyder, Okla. The car made its first trip Sunday, and maintained the schedule without difficulty. It is a particularly fast model and is capable of a speed of 75 miles an hour.

The car has three compartments, besides the space for the powerful engine and dynamo for generating the motive power. Two side entrances near the middle provide for receiving and discharging passengers in the shortest possible time. Seating capacity is provided for about 60 people, though as high as 100 passengers have been carried at one time.

The electric motive power is generated from a dynamo propelled by a giant oil engine of 200 horsepower, which weighs about 20,000 pounds.

The car leaves Vernon at 8:15 o'clock in the morning and makes connections with the Burk Burnett and Wichita Falls trains at Frederick. At Snyder connections are made with the St. Louis, Kansas City and Oklahoma City through trains of the Frisco. The passengers out of Vernon average 15 to 20 per day. The business from Frederick to Snyder is much heavier and a trailer will probably be attached to the car in the near future.

First Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:45.

B. Y. P. U. at 6:30.

Prayer Meeting 7:30 Wednesday evening.

Preaching at 11 and 7:30 next Sunday by the pastor.

W. T. ROUSE, Pastor.

Mrs. J. W. Coffee went to Tipton, Okla., Saturday for a few days' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Petty. She accompanied Mrs. Petty, who had been visiting her mother here for a week.

Mrs. C. M. Caraway returned to her home in Shawnee, Okla., after an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. B. J. Parker.

At the PICTORIUM THEATRE

TODAY—BESSIE LOVE in the "DAWN OF UNDERSTANDING."

WEDNESDAY—MAE MARSH in "BONDAGE OF BARBARA."

THURSDAY—"THE LOVE NET" Starring MADGE EVANS.

COMING FRIDAY—ALICE BRADY in "HER GREAT CHANCE."

At the Theaters

More's.

Thursday—"The Fighting Roosevelts," the authorized screen version of the life and works of Theodore Roosevelt, is a complete history of the activities of "America's Great American," starting from his cradle days, as a boy he developed many of the characteristics and tendencies that have marked his meteoric career in public life. Roosevelt, the youth, wears an Indian costume above all other apparel as his garb for every occasion. The picture shows his comely life, the legislator at 23, the cowboy, the rough rider, the chief of the New York police and on up to the president of the United States. It is a life of life and thrills, things happen fast and furious just as they did in the actual life of Theodore Roosevelt.

Hinds News.

Hinds, March 1.—(By special correspondence.)—Monday was such a beautiful spring day that most every one in this part of the country got out and enjoyed it, but Tuesday morning was quite a contrast. The ground was covered with snow and looked more like Christmas than spring. The cold snap will be beneficial to wheat, as it is jointing out pretty fast, the past week of warm days.

Mrs. May Miller and children, Olin and Meta Joe, returned Friday from a week's visit with Mrs. Miller's mother, Mrs. Mary Tyson, of Davidson, Okla.

Revs. C. V. Carroll and McNair made interesting talks Sunday afternoon in behalf of the Loyalty loan, for the benefit of Educational Welfare of the Baptist people.

There will be Sunday School next Sunday morning and singing at 3:30 p. m. with Prof. T. Q. Dyess leader. Every one invited to attend.

A crowd gathered at the home of T. Q. Dyess Thursday night and had singing. Thursday also music on the violin and guitar.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Allison visited Frank Anderson Thursday afternoon.

County Superintendent J. N. Fuller visited the school Friday afternoon and made an interesting talk.

Miss Verna Matthews also visited the school.

Misses Christine Barrett, Laura Withson, Mrs. Effie Hobson and Messrs. Verdie and Olin Adams, Lafayette and Willie Walker, Dewitt Barton, Ben Smithson, and Olin Barrett, visited Gladys and Roy Allison Sunday afternoon.

Robert Caldwell and family ate dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Anderson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Miller and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Kell Castleberry Sunday.

Quite a crowd gathered at T. Q. Dyess' Saturday night and spent several hours in games and music.

Nix Wood is working in Vernon this week.

A number in John Chisholm's family have the influenza at this writing. His son-in-law, Fender Thomas, has pneumonia following a case of influenza.

Some of the young folks of this community attended a party given at Henry McAlexander's Saturday night.

Several men of this community have had a car load of oats shipped in and have been hauling them out.

Miss Rosa Moore and brother, John, on Moore, of Vernon visited their aunt, Mrs. Ophelia Hughes, Sunday.

Mr. Winslett of Fargo spent Tuesday night at Tom Duke's. Mrs. Duke, a daughter of Mr. Winslett.

Quite a crowd gathered at Mr. and Mrs. Matthews' Sunday night and had singing.

Dr. W. R. and Jack Moody, of Ver-

non were transacting business in these parts Monday. Dr. Moody is preparing to move to a farm near Canyon City.

Peel and Joe Pybus of Box community, also Alfred Albert and Millard Dunson of Vernon attended the party at Mr. and Mrs. T. Q. Dyess Saturday night.

Mrs. Ophelia Hughes and children visited the family of Jack Moore of Vernon Monday.

Misses Verna and Pearl Matthews, Nellie Dyess and Gladys Allison were in Vernon Saturday.

Mrs. Effie Hobson visited Mrs. M. E. Taylor Tuesday afternoon.

B. F. TAYLOR DIED YESTERDAY

BURIED AT EAST VIEW

Following an attack of influenza and pneumonia, B. F. Taylor died at his home in North Vernon yesterday morning. The funeral occurred late yesterday afternoon, the body being held to await the arrival of relatives on the 4 o'clock Denver train. Interment was made in East View cemetery. Religious services were conducted by Rev. H. E. Stubbs, pastor of the Central Christian Church. Burial was under the auspices of the W. O. W. Lodge, of which deceased was a member.

Mr. Taylor was aged 47 years, 7 months and 23 days. He is survived by his wife.

Eastern Stars to Meet.

E. T. Murchison Chapter No. 424 O. E. S. is called to meet for initiatory work at 8 o'clock Friday night. This meeting takes the place of one called for last week, which was postponed on account of rain. Mrs. J. H. Watts urges all members to be present.

Pie Supper at East Vernon.

There will be a pie supper at East Vernon school Friday night and every one is invited to be present. The money realized will go to the school fund. The first program of the new literary society, organized last Wednesday night, will be rendered.

Baby Loren Payne Died.

Loren, the infant boy of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Payne, died Saturday morning. The baby was a month and a half old and the cause of death was bronchial pneumonia. The little body was shipped to Tolbert for burial.

O. T. Warlick went to Quanah Sunday on court business.

Fresh line of garden seed at D. C. Matthews Grocery. Adv. 13-14c

Girls! LEMON JUICE IS A SKIN WHITENER

How to Make a Creamy Beauty Lotion For a Few Cents.

The juice of two fresh lemons strained into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white makes a whole quart of the most remarkable lemon skin beautifier at about the cost one must pay for a small jar of the ordinary cold creams. Care should be taken to strain the lemon juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in. Then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as freckles, sallowness and tan and is the ideal skin softener, whitener and beautifier.

Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any drug store and two lemons from the grocer and make up a quart pint of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands. Adv. 14-15c

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CHIEF WAS DONE BY DIS-
LOYAL PERSONS.

The authorities of the Lockett school are offering a reward for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who destroyed the flag pole on the school ground Monday night, February 17. The pole was made of a scuffling four by four inches about twenty-four feet long, six feet which was sunk in concrete in the ground. The top of the pole was made of boards 2 by 2 inches nailed together and to the larger piece below. The pole was torn down and concrete around the base cracked.

Prof. W. N. Martin, principal of the Lockett school, says the flag is put up every morning and taken down at night. The flag is frequently used by the school in patriotic programs and frequently the children would gather around the pole and sing patriotic songs and salute.

"There are but two solutions in my opinion as to who might be the guilty parties," says Prof. Martin. "The first is that it was done by some persons who are of Pro-German sympathy and do not like to have American patriotism demonstrated in the school, or it was done by a bunch of mischievous and thoughtless boys. I rather think the former is the case."

Red River News.

Red River, Feb. 26.—(By special correspondence.)—The sickness in this community is some better. No new cases of influenza are reported at this writing.

Mrs. J. P. Tate is able to be up again from a spell of influenza.

Mrs. Veda Shaw, who has been very sick with influenza, is able to be up again.

W. D. Stockton, who has lived in Red River community for the past three years on Mrs. Hite's place, moved Monday to a farm near White City.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and children of Belle community spent Sunday evening with W. D. Stockton and family.

Miss Deltamie Thomas spent Sunday with Miss Cora Andrews.

O. A. Tims and two daughters, Edith and Bessie went to Mr. Barrett's near Vernon Sunday, returning home Monday.

Miss Theresa Hazard spent Saturday night and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. J. R. Huie at Odell.

The Red River school boys matched a game of basket ball Thursday afternoon with the Pleasant Valley boys. Score was 31 to 8 in favor of Red River.

Mrs. O. A. Tims' brother is visiting her this week from Wellington.

Miss Beulah Tims visited Miss Connie Stockton Sunday.

George Pierce took supper Thursday night with his cousin, Mrs. J. F. Hart. He has just received a discharge from the army. He has been overseas the past four months and was stationed in France. He says he never had to go to the front, but was a guard for four weeks back of the firing line, and could hear the big guns.

Robert Hite and his father was in this community Wednesday looking after stock on his farm.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Tims visited her sister, Mrs. Barrett, Saturday and Sunday below Vernon.

Mrs. L. A. Crawford has been real sick this week, suffering with her head.

Mrs. R. J. Stowe visited Mrs. L. A. Crawford Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. Green of near Hank, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and family.

Misses Beulah and Edith Tims and Bessie Hughes spent Saturday with Mrs. Johnson.

Thomas Marks of Randlette spent a few days with his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tate.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hart entertained the young people with a party Saturday night. The following were there: Messrs. John Roland Sherrill, Henry Ramon, Tom, Edd and Will Turner, Lester Mayo, Fred Thomas, Odie and Earl January, Charlie Priddy, Fay and Jeff Hart, Hamp Ward, Buford Kirkpatrick, Jesse Gummels, Charlie Polard, Arthur Miller, Denice Hite, W. D. Hart, Carroll Reeves, Arch Hughes, and Misses Rena Hart, Alice and Josie Turner, Sallie Sherrill, Deltamie Thomas, Laura Campbell, Beulah Shires, Rena Turner, Irene and Eunice Reeves, Ward, Jewel and Connelie Keys. All reported a nice time.

Rena, Fay Jeff and W. D. Hart spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hart.

Miss Theresa Hazard, teacher at Red River, reported she has a full school now.

J. F. Hart made a business trip to Chillicothe Saturday.

West Vernon News.

West Vernon, March 1.—(By special correspondence.)—A number of land-owners in our community met Tuesday night in the school auditorium for the purpose of appointing directors and discussing plans for the sinking of an oil well. It is hoped that the plans may be complete and that the place for the well can be agreed upon and the drilling started at an early date.

Earl Bourland visited Louis King on Monday night, having returned Monday from Wellington. He likes that part of the State and thinks prospects for a grain crop are exceedingly good.

Mrs. Alvin Tiroff is recovering from an attack of the influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Martin spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Boone Martin Sunday.

W. A. Hise received a letter the latter part of the week from his son, Oliver Hise of the 36th Division. He states that he is well and anxious to be back home again. He thinks the 36th Division will be home soon.

Miss Hertha Tiroff returned home Tuesday from Shamrock in Wheeler county, where she has been visiting.

A baseball game was watched between the junior boys of the West Vernon school and the boys of Holcomb's Training school. The game was played on our ground, and resulted in favor of the West Vernon team. The score was 11 to 3.

Earl Martin spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Boone Martin. He came from Wichita Falls Saturday.

Edd Lehman and Miss Annie Tiroff were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Tiroff, last Tuesday evening. The affair came as a surprise to the numerous friends of the bride and groom. Their host of friends join in wishing them years of happiness and prosperity.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Martin have moved to the place formerly occupied by Mr. Simpson two and one half miles west of town.

J. H. Ayers of Margaret visited Mr. and Mrs. H. Hunt Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Anderson and little daughter of Fort Worth are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Anderson.

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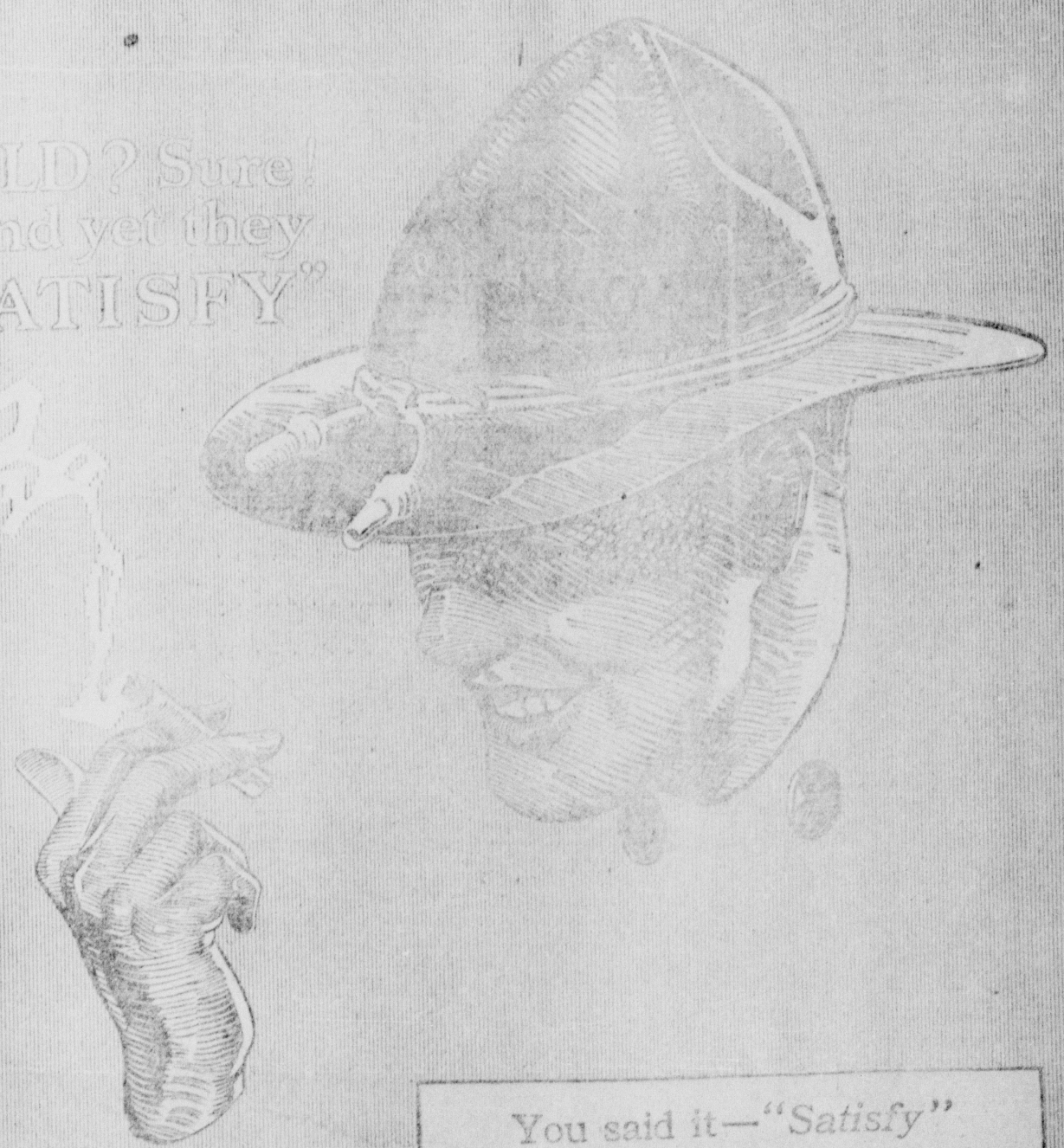
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REPLY TO M. W. BOGER

In a recent letter to The Record opposing the proposed issue of \$1,500,000 in bonds for good roads, M. W. Boger made several assertions and propositions. These will be discussed in their order.

In the first proposition Mr. Boger says the time is inopportune and expressed surprise that there are enough rational men in the county to start such a movement at this time. The best reply to this is extracts from what successful business men and Government officials say.

F. T. Miller, director of division of Public Works and Construction Development, U. S. Department of Labor, says in a recent bulletin dealing with the industrial situation: "It is an economic waste to allow labor and materials to remain even temporarily in idleness, when they may in the meantime be put into wealth and tax producing structures. The increased cost of building materials is only about half that of other commodities."

The official bulletins of the U. S. Department of Labor urge road construction as one means of aiding in a return to normal conditions in the United States. President Wilson only this week called a conference of governors and mayors in Washington to urge public improvements to prevent serious industrial depression and to provide against unemployment, especially of soldiers and sailors discharged from the service. Certainly Mr. Boger will not deny that all business men, President Wilson and other Government officials who understand the situation are rational men.

Add to this the evidence that Rockwall county, one of the smallest in the state, recently voted \$800,000 in roads. Lamar county voters have just approved an issue of \$1,500,000. A similar amount has been voted in Collin county and scores of other counties are voting bonds in various amounts. In practically every case these bonds were voted by majorities ranging from four to ten to one. Can it be said that all these people are irrational?

In his second assertion Mr. Boger says that every mile of this road will cost perhaps twice as much as if built later on. This is merely an opinion, and one which cannot be backed up by facts. In the last five years road building costs have advanced 50 per cent, which dates back in advance of the war period. In the same length of time farm products have advanced 115 per cent; food 83 per cent; clothing 131 per cent, drugs and chemicals 111 per cent, with an average increase for all commodities of 96 per cent. These figures are from the U. S. Census Bureau.

From the same source we have estimates that on account of the great need of building materials, not only in this country but throughout Europe, prices will not be reduced to any appreciable extent during the reconstruction period, which is placed at from two to ten years.

In the face of these facts does it look like good judgment to wait for lower material prices? Men in a position to know conditions as well as any one do not predict any appreciable reduc-

tion in prices. This is the history of prices of staple commodities in the past. After periods of stringency prices go down some, but they have seldom been known to return to a normal basis. It is well known that the tendency of prices on everything for the last 20 years has been upward. There have been temporary reductions, but they have usually been of short duration.

This is due to the operation of the law of supply and demand. As the demand for a given commodity increases, the price goes upward. It is apparent that demands for building material will increase for several years at least. It is now almost impossible to place contracts for building materials. With road improvements being projected throughout the country, how does Mr. Boger figure that materials will get cheaper?

The State Highway Commission has \$12,000,000 to put out in state and Federal aid to assist in improving county roads this year. If we wait for material to become cheaper this money will, in all probability, be gone, and instead building roads cheaper two years from now they will actually cost the county more. We ought to get enough aid from the Commission to more than offset present high material and labor prices.

Mr. Boger says he suffered inconvenience along with others during the past winter on account of not being able to get mails or a doctor, but he has forgotten it. Perhaps he would not so soon forget it if some member of his family had died because of inability to get medical aid. Other taxpayers who had experiences with serious illness in their families during the past winter have not forgotten.

He says there is no demand for farms here now. There are several reasons for this. The drought is one thing, but droughts are temporary and come in every country. If we wait until we are assured that droughts will not come we will never make any improvements. Another reason is our road conditions. Good roads make for better farm values. There is always a demand for farms in counties where there are good roads. This demand, of course, varies with conditions, and what is true of farms is true of every other class of property.

Mr. Boger refers to the

Wichita county roads, but the best proof that the people of that county are going ahead is that a bond issue of \$1,500,000 is proposed to surface their graded roads with concrete. In Wilbarger county, it is proposed to avoid this mistake by building concrete roads in the first place.

The objection as to the cost of dragging roads is the best argument why we should build concrete roads and avoid this expense. In other words, it is proposed to build maintenance into the roads. No well informed man would advocate building graded roads with bond money. They wear out long before the bonds are paid. That is exactly why we should build concrete roads.

Mr. Boger says a nine-foot road is worthless. In this view he differs from those who have used nine-foot roads and differs from engineers who know road construction as Mr. Boger knows farming and stock raising. In Hunt county they have 21 miles of eight-foot concrete roads, and they are pronounced satisfactory. Hunt county citizens prefer 21 miles of eight-foot road to 10 miles of 16-foot road. Hunt county is amply able to vote bonds to build wide roads. Traffic there is much heavier than in Wilbarger county, and if an eight-foot road will handle the traffic in a county like Hunt it ought to be sufficient for Wilbarger county, at least until we become financially able to construct wider roads.

The Record would like to see 16-foot roads constructed throughout the county, but this cannot be done. So rather than have no roads at all we prefer to start with nine-foot pavements. The Record believes that after the roads are built—and they will be built sooner or later—men like Mr. Boger will regret that they ever opposed a road.

The campaign to secure a reduction of cotton acreage in Texas is doomed to failure unless it can enlist the support of the landlords. We do not pretend to know just what proportion of Texas lands is farmed by tenants, but it is certainly a very large one—perhaps considerably more than half. Reports from the campaign in this county reveals that practically all of the obstacles in the way are objections of landlords to permit ten-

ants to reduce cotton acreage. Some landlords doubtless believe with a reduction in cotton acreage farmed by owners, their own cotton acreage will have a relatively higher potential value, for the reason that they will profit by the action of their neighbors. As long as this view is taken the campaign can only half succeed at best. Landlords hold the answer to cotton prices in their hands, and if the acreage is not reduced to a point that will assure good prices for the 1919 crop the fault will lie with the landlords.

The country is not much concerned about the fine legal questions involved in the League of Nations. The main question is whether it will reduce the possibility of war to a point where the world will be relieved from the burdens of war and war preparation. It is on this basis that the ratification of the League plan will be forced by the people. What its effect upon the Monroe Doctrine will be in similar questions is merely incidental. The boon of permanent peace is worth a big price, and if the opposition Senators advance no more valid reasons against ratifications than have been presented thus far the people will demand that the United States enter the League. The average man wants to know what the practical results will be and he is convinced that the League offers hopes, whereas the old methods of diplomacy offer only despair.

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O. D. Hendrix of Jacksonville left last night after a short visit with his brother, P. W. Hendrix. Mr. Hendrix recently received his discharge from the service at Camp Pike.

Guyer News.

Guyer, March 1.—(By special correspondence.)—This community had another nice rain Monday night also a light snow. Of course we are always glad to see the rain.

Sunday School was well attended this week. Everybody is invited to be present and take a part.

Miss Lillie Shields is staying in Electra.

Mr. and Mrs. McClure and two sons, Nelson and Jack, took Sunday dinner at the home of Arnold Pate.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. McClendon were out at singing Sunday night. We are glad to have them with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Potts were welcome visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gillis Sunday.

School is progressing nicely with a good attendance.

The little 8-months-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Rodgers died Monday night, after a long spell of sickness. The family has the sympathy of the community.

Miss Ida Tate, who has been in Vernon for the past three weeks, returned home Tuesday.

Miss Enla Rodgers spent Sunday with Ruth Ross.

Abc Thomas made a business trip to the city of Electra Wednesday.

Eugene Potts was in the Electra community Sunday afternoon.

Misses Rosa and Edith Trisler were visiting Mrs. Kirk near Elliott Sunday afternoon.

Ben Reid and family and White Reid and family visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Reid Sunday.

Jim Duger made a business trip to Electra Saturday.

Howard M. Lisman has moved to the place belonging to his father, T. P. Lisman, near Odell.

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Edgar McHugh was up from Electra last Sunday to spend the day with his parents, Judge and Mrs. E. L. McHugh.

James B. Dickson of Wichita Falls is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. B. Andrews.

Ikey McGinn, Frank LeBus and Morrow Blackman of Electra visited friends in Vernon Sunday.

J. W. Allison, president of the First State Bank of Crowell, and S. P. McLaughlin of Crowell were transacting business in Vernon Friday.

Mrs. John T. Abbott left Saturday for Wichita Falls to be with her husband who has accepted a position with the Shamburger Lumber Company.

Walter Walker, formerly of Vernon, but now residing at Fort Worth, was in the city Monday in the interest of the Republic automobile tires.

Mrs. A. Herring of Electra is a guest of her mother, Mrs. L. G. Gould.

Geo. W. Backus has moved to the Methodist Parsonage, where his family will occupy a part of the home.

Porter Crow Stinnett was at home from Charendon College to spend Sunday and Monday.

Miss Bess Chapman was a visitor in Vernon Sunday and Monday. Miss Chapman was formerly employed with Berry, Stokes & Morgan in this city and is at present for the firm of Carigan, Britain & Morgan at Wichita Falls.

Baber Hockersmith, secretary of the Bowers Oil Company, with headquarters at Wichita Falls, was in Vernon over Sunday. He was accompanied to Wichita Falls yesterday by Mrs. Hockersmith, Miss Grace Hockersmith and Duke Tennyson.

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Odell, March 3.—(By special correspondence.)—A grocery store and a vacant building burned here Sunday morning. The fire was discovered about 2 o'clock, and was so far advanced that nothing could be done, except to prevent spread of the flames.

The stock of groceries destroyed was owned by Mitchel and Laferty. The building destroyed belonged to Z. M. Wilson and Mrs. A. L. Fillingim. The loss is estimated at between \$4,000 and \$5,000, about half of which was covered by insurance.

Origin of the fire is unknown. Mrs. W. M. Scott and children, Rosa Mae and J. D., were visiting in Odell Saturday night and Sunday from Wichita Falls.

Roy Beach of Wichita Falls was in Odell Sunday.

Alton Belcher, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Belcher, has been sick, but is better now.

D. C. Vassey and family were in Vernon shopping Saturday.

Luther McFall was in Odell Sunday.

Wildcat News.

Wildcat, March 1.—(By special correspondence.)—Bulah Burk spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. J. L. Burk. She said Rev. R. V. Tooley, with whom she is staying, had received a message that his mother-in-law had been badly scalded. He and little daughter, Onita, had gone to be with her at Henrietta.

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Luttrell spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Brady.

Mrs. Hugh Smith and Miss Brady visited Mrs. Ike Luttrell Monday.

Mrs. Henry Richie has off a large number of fine little chickens. She has the earliest prospective fryers around here.

Enel Brooks is clerking for A. C. Hahn in Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fleet Oliver and family visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hildebrand Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlow have a brother visiting them from Oklahoma.

The little daughter of J. C. Schuette has been quite ill with the influenza.

Roy Johnson from Canadian, Ill., visited Mr. and Mrs. Richie last week. He was on his way to Fort Worth.

Benton Luttrell visited his uncle, Earl Luttrell, in Vernon Sunday.

Harvey Kitchen has received an honorable discharge and is at home from Camp Travis. We are glad to see him at home.

Bud and Tom Oliver spent Sunday evening with Barnett Chadwick.

Oscar and Jasper Burk will farm the Wilson place another year.

John E. Walker and mother, Mrs. M. H. Lowery of Dublin, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Enel Brooks. Mrs. Brooks is Mrs. Lowery's daughter. Mr. Walker has just been discharged from the army. He has been in France.

Ike Luttrell has employment helping O. A. Swinburn put in some concrete bridges.

Misses Ione McMahan and Minnie Turner, teachers in our school, have rented a room from Fleet Oliver and are light housekeeping now, instead of boarding.

Remember Sunday School next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

Born.—To Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jarvis, living fourteen miles southwest, on Thursday, February 27, a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Yalbie McCurdy of Wichita Falls were visiting relatives in Vernon this week.

Miss Margaret Castlebury has returned to Texas Woman's College at Fort Worth, after spending Sunday with her parents in Vernon.



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Odell News.

Odell, March 1.—(By special correspondence.)—Mrs. M. E. Grimes, teacher of the sixth and seventh grade, has been out of school the past week on account of having the influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Burch entertained a crowd of young people Friday night with a forty-two party. Hot chocolate and cake was served to the following: Misses Maggie, Lucy and Myrtle Vassey, Annie Mae Shelton, Abbie Starr, Anna Lou and Fern Kester, Jesse Motley, Gilmer Starr, Mr. and Mrs. Burch Vassey, Tom Starr, Lou Stults, Arthur Vassey, Rex Shelton, Jim Cade, Artie Crain and Clyde Kester.

Mr. McDurham and family who have been residents of Odell for the past few months left Saturday for Erick, Okla., where Mr. McDurham will work on C. D. Shelton's ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Vassey were business visitors in Vernon Saturday.

Miss Jimmie Motley and Mrs. Ruth Pitts were shopping in Chillicothe Wednesday.

There will be a program rendered at the school auditorium Tuesday night, March 4, by the pupils.

J. H. Gobble left for Burk Burnett Friday. Mr. Gobble has accepted a position as pumper for the Burkett Oil Company.

Miss Elsie Tombs has been out of school the past week with influenza.

Miss Ellen Hix of Vernon spent the week end at the Tombs home near Odell.

M. L. Burch is home from Wichita Falls, where he has been working for the last few weeks.

Miss Mary Stowe was shopping in town Friday.

Mrs. Ruth Pitts spent the week with Miss Jimmie Motley and Annie Mae Shelton.

Miss Marie Grimes is back in school again after a week's absence on account of having the influenza.

Sidney Ayres of Chillicothe was in Vernon Saturday on business.

Hugh P. D. Howard of Oklahoma City visited at the home of S. W. McLarty last Sunday.

W. B. Townsend, Jr. of Fort Worth is visiting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Dodson. Mr. Townsend has recently returned from overseas and received his discharge from the army.

Miss Benjie Works, who has been in Vernon for several days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Works, left yesterday morning for Ardmore, Okla. She will have charge of the shorthand department of the Ardmore Business College.

FAMOUS OIL EXPERT JOINS RECORD STAFF AS ITS OIL EDITOR



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In line with its policy that there is nothing too good for its great family of appreciative readers The Fort Worth Record takes pleasure in announcing the appointment of Colonel H. L. Wood as oil editor of the paper. Colonel Wood is said to be by those whose opinions are accepted as authority, the best informed oil writer in the United States. His experience covers every angle of the oil industry, and his writings are accepted as authentic. He has the complete confidence of the big men in the business and he has an acquaintanceship among the host of men affiliated with oil and kindred interests which very few writers enjoy.

Colonel Wood began his newspaper

career with the Bartlesville, Okla., Examiner in 1903. Subsequently he has held important positions on the Oil City Derrick, Oil City, Pa., was part owner and editor of the Oil & Gas Journal of Tulsa, Okla., correspondent for the Fuel Oil Journal of Houston and later served the Oil Trade Journal of New York and the Western Oil World of Denver, Colo. Mr. Wood represented the Prairie Oil & Gas Company as chief scout in the Mid Continent field for three years. He made a tour of the Mexican Oil fields and wrote the first comprehensive review of Mexican development. He has visited every principal oil field in the United States and for years has compiled statistics covering every branch of the petroleum and gas industry, much of his data being used by the United States Geological Survey, Export Bureau and other technical departments.

Colonel Wood's broad experience and his wide knowledge assures the people of North Texas and Southern Oklahoma that they will find in The Fort Worth Record every day the most authentic, the most accurate and the most comprehensive oil news to be found in any newspaper in the country.

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HERE MARCH 10-11

RETURN MUST BE MADE BY
MARCH 15 TO AVOID PAYING
PENALTY.

Postmaster J. V. Townsend announces that a representative of the Government will be in Vernon from 11 a. m. Sunday, March 9, till 10:30 a. m., Tuesday, March 11, to help those individuals who have to make out their income tax reports. Announcements will be made as to where the tax expert may be found, or persons interested may see Postmaster Townsend the latter part of the week for that information.

Owing to the very limited time in which to make returns for 1918 income tax, local bankers are advising that it would be well for every one to make up a trial balance of earnings, and if they come within the law and have to make returns, get up their data, showing in detail just what and how received.

This means all income for the year just passed, and also an itemized list of expenses, including taxes paid for the year, and then go to their bank or wait for the income tax representative who will be in Vernon soon. All returns have to be filed with A. S. Walker, Federal Revenue Collector, at Austin, by March 15.

Some people who will not be subject to a tax will have to make returns. If, because of special exemptions for children and dependents, a person's income of more than the specified amount exempted is found not to be taxable, this does not free the individual from filing a return.

Bankers say by having all data written out it will assist materially in making out the return. The exemption is \$1,000 for single and \$2,000 for married persons.

Harrold News.

Harrold, March 1.—(By special correspondence.)—It has been some time since Harrold appeared in your paper with a few local items. But with the ground hog and spring time Harrold comes back and the day is cloudy, so here is hoping that we stay.

The influenza subsided and the general health of the community is better. The school 'kiddies' are all just about to get back in school after losing so much time.

The natural temperature of the crude oil magnates is running extremely high about town and almost all the land near here has been leased at fancy prices.

Last Sunday Rev. R. V. Tooley suggested that the Methodist Sunday School be divided into two teams, which should be designated by wearing blue and red badges, and that they enter into a contest for new members, attendance and collections.

Rev. S. H. Holmes of Vernon was in town Wednesday shaking hands with everybody.

Antry Westmoreland of Vernon was visiting his sister, Mrs. W. H. Holt, Sunday.

Mrs. John Hale, who has been ill here for several weeks, has recovered and returned to her home near Goodnight, Texas.

Mrs. J. R. Roberts of Crowell, is visiting Mrs. J. L. Showers this week.

C. R. Gatewood, who is promoting the Pope Oil Company, is here and making all preparations to begin drilling on the company's holdings just north of town.

Arthur Watkins, who has just returned from the army, has purchased the Mudget place and expects to begin drilling on the Apex Oil Well Friday morning.

Martin Stephens, another one of Uncle Sam's boys, is back to Harrold. Increasing oil activities have caused Harrold business men to organize a Chamber of Commerce. The problem of caring for the large influx of oil men and their families who will develop the country for miles in all directions from Harrold necessitates immediate action. The following officers were elected: J. L. Showers, president; N. F. Strickland, vice president; S. O. Wilson, secretary and treasurer. The club meets regularly on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock, at First State Bank building.

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Miss Vic McDowell of Tell, Texas, visited her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Collins, last Friday.

John and Albert, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Streit, arrived home from Camp Travis Thursday afternoon. The Vernon boys were both in the army band at camp. They have received a discharge from the service.

Captain H. E. Westmoreland left Friday for Dallas, where he will resume his duties as traveling salesman with the McQuay-Norris Company. Captain Westmoreland recently returned from overseas and received his discharge from the army.

Tolbert News.

Tolbert, March 1.—(By special correspondence.)—Rev. M. H. Hudson filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday morning at eleven o'clock and Sunday night.

There was Sunday School at both the Methodist and Baptist churches Sunday at 10 o'clock.

The B. Y. P. U. has been reorganized at the Baptist church. Hansel Wood was elected president, Ethridge Dockery, vice president, and Ava McNair secretary.

Now as the influenza epidemic has greatly subsided, everybody is urged to attend Sunday School, the Union, and the League.

Rev. McNair will preach each first and third Sunday in the month at the Baptist church, and Rev. Hudson the fourth Sunday at the Methodist church.

Our school is progressing nicely with full attendance.

The recent rain which we had was fine on the wheat, which was never better in this section than at the present time.

Farmers are all very busy getting their land broken and preparing for another crop. Planting gardens seems to be the order of the day as well as setting hens and incubators. We are all trying to raise all that we can at home so as to reduce the high cost of living.

Mrs. Rutledge, who with her children, has been visiting the family of C. S. Rutledge, left this week for Virginia, where the family will make their home. They were detained here several weeks on account of sickness in the family.

Mrs. F. M. Wood received a telegram from her son, Lucian Wood, stating that he was in Newport News, Va. Lucius has been overseas for the past year and has just returned to the states.

W. T. Henderson has rented his home to Virgil Cooper and has moved with his family to Burkburnett.

C. H. Boaz has given up the rural mail route and gone to Burkburnett, and our former rural route man, Will Doss has moved into the house formerly occupied by Mr. Boaz and is again in charge of Route 2.

Mrs. Katie Griffin is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Will Lawson.

Mrs. B. C. Robertson, who has recently returned from Dallas, where she underwent a serious operation is much improved, and is visiting in the home of her father, J. N. Lawson.

Miss Tommie Simmonds has returned home, after a two weeks' visit with friends in Dallas and Fort Worth.

Card of Thanks.

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Mrs. E. D. Trevathan returned yesterday from Wichita Falls where she spent a week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Hull.

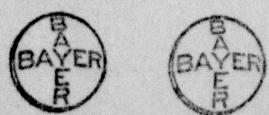
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Boys of Local School Meet West Vernon This Afternoon for Second Game.

The baseball team representing Holcomb Training School will meet West Vernon this afternoon on the local diamond, near the Central School building. The same teams met last week, with the West Vernontes the winner.

The following ten men have been doing most of the playing for Holcomb, and will likely secure permanent places on the team: Earl Madden, Frank Fletcher, Sid Vaughn, Raymond Dorsey, Virgil Armstrong, John Thompson, Lee Lehman, Perry Howard, Rome Martin, and Homer Johnson. A game was played with Central School last week, in which the Holcomb boys took the small end of the score.

Four Marriage Licenses Issued.

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following since last publication: J. C. Tyson and Miss Meta McClure; Clarence Offerle and Miss Jessie Ledbetter; E. L. Henderson and Miss Rosa Lee Brock; John Powell (col) and Miss Leila Jefferson (col).

Pays \$6,950 for 116 Cattle.

A deal was closed Saturday whereby H. E. Key became the owner of 116 white faced cattle, at a consideration of \$6,950. The herefores were bought from T. F. Gregory, living east of Vernon. They will be moved to Mr. Key's farm near Fargo.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Wickmiller of Kingfisher, Okla., spent Saturday and Sunday with Rev. H. E. Stubbs. They have been spending the winter in Corpus Christi. Mr. Wickmiller is the oldest druggist in point of service in Oklahoma. He is selling drugs now on the same spot where he entered business in 1889.

Escaped Negro Is Recaptured.

Virgil Hunter, colored, who is charged with the recent robbery of the Bailey Hotel, which occurred some three weeks ago, escaped from the local jail last Saturday morning but was soon located in a barn in East Vernon and recaptured. The negro escaped when the cell door was opened to give him his breakfast.

Sink Replacing Old Awning.

D. P. Sink is having the old awning in front of his building on North Main street, occupied by Sam Novit's grocery store, torn down and replaced by a new and more modern awning. Mr. Sink also plans to put in new plate glass and otherwise improve the front of the building.

Married Saturday Afternoon.

Clarence A. Offerle and Miss Jessie Ledbetter were married by Rev. Henry F. Brooks at three o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Methodist parsonage. The couple left the same afternoon for Enid, Okla., where they will make their home.

MEMPHIS PASTOR PREACHES AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. W. T. Swain of Memphis preached twice Sunday at the Federated Presbyterian Church. At eleven o'clock his subject was "The Christian Home." Rev. Swain pointed out how the safety of the nation is predicated on the home, and how it can be safe only when children are brought up in Christian homes.

Sunday night's sermon was on the subject, "What Is the Soul?" Rev. Swain is one of the strongest preachers in the Amarillo Presbytery, and his sermons were heard by good crowds.

Mrs. D. R. Taylor of Wichita Falls is visiting her mother, Mrs. L. G. Gould.

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\$1.50 Cups and Saucers, sale price, set99c	15c Crochet Threads, sale price10c	10c Pearl Buttons, sale price, card03c
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1,000 yards Embroidery, sale price, yard03c	50c Hair Brushes, sale price15c	35c Men's Hose, sale price23c
10c Soaps, sale price, each04c	90c 12 gauge Shot Gun Shells, sale price68c	25c Men's Hose, sale price10c
35c Boxed Stationery, sale price, each15c	10c Red Fruit Jar Rubbers, sale price, dozen05c	40c Children's Hose, sale price25c
15c, all Sheet Music, sale price, copy06c	40c Glass Water Pitchers, sale price, each23c	30c Children's Hose, sale price15c
25c Large Size Talcum Powder, sale price, can 10c	50c Carpet Slippers, sale price24c	35c Ladies' Hose, sale price18c
15c Peroxide, sale price, each08c	\$1.00, 17 quart Enamel Dish Pans, sale price48c	75c Ladies' Hose, sale price18c
20c Joints Stove Pipe, sale price, joint10c	50c Enamel Coffee Pots, sale price25c	50c Aluminum Angel Food Cake Pans28c
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J. A. CARNEY, Secretary.

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Moving Dry Goods Stock to Vernon.

W. M. Denny is moving the stock from his dry goods store at Frederick, Okla., to Vernon and adding it to the stock of the Denny Bros. store here. Artie Denny, who has been in charge of the store at Frederick, has entered the oil business at Fort Worth.

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MUST LEVY TAX FOR WHOLE BOND ISSUE

BUT IF ENTIRE AMOUNT IS NOT SOLD INTEREST ACCRUES TO COUNTY.

If the proposed road bond issue of \$1,500,000 is voted the County Commissioners must levy a tax sufficient to retire them in the period for which they are issued—thirty years if they are thirty-year bonds, or forty years if they are forty-year bonds. This is the case regardless of whether the bonds are sold at once.

It had been suggested that if the bonds are voted, the Commissioners could market them as the money is needed and levy only a tax sufficient to pay interest and provide sinking funds for those actually disposed of. But this is not the case, according to County Judge E. L. McHugh. At the tax levying time following the voting of the bonds by the people a tax sufficient to pay interest and provide for retirement of the entire issue must be levied.

It is entirely possible that the bonds can be sold in installments as the money is needed. In such a case the county would save the interest on all unsold bonds, but it would be necessary to levy the tax just as if the bonds had been sold and were held by a bond buyer. The only advantage to be obtained in marketing the bonds as the money is needed would be that the county would receive the interest on unsold bonds instead of paying it to a bond holder. This would be a considerable item and it certainly would be done if the Commissioners could effect such an arrangement with the purchasers of the bonds. The interest the first year would be \$75,000.00.

A case in point is the experience in handling the bonds of road district No. 1, commonly known as the East Vernon-Oklahoma district. The bonds had been voted a full year before they were sold, but the Commissioners had to levy the tax to pay the interest and provide the sinking fund, just as would have been the case if the bonds had been sold. The only difference was that the first year's interest went to the county instead of a bondholder.

Thalia News.

Thalia, March 1.—(By special correspondence.)—Wood Roberts, Clyde Self and Harley Capps visited home-folks Saturday night and Sunday. Wood and Clyde went back to Burk-burnett Sunday evening.

T. J. Woods entertained the young folks with a party Saturday night. We all enjoyed the songs rendered by the soldier boys.

Mrs. McCurdy came out from Vernon Friday evening with Sue and John Thompson. They went back Sunday evening.

Frank Hendree of the Ayersville community was in Thalia Monday.

Bro. Young of Lubbock preached at the Christian Church Sunday morning and night.

H. W. Banister received a telegram Sunday that his brother, Bob Banister, of Hugo, Okla., was not expected to live. Mr. Banister took the train at Crowell Sunday night at 12 o'clock, to go to his brother.

Albert Schooley and Judge Mitchell of Crowell attended services at the Baptist church Sunday morning. The latter spoke, after services, in the interest of the Armenian Relief Fund.

Frank Long and family are moving to their farm east of town.

D. M. Wisdom and family visited Mrs. McCurdy in the J. G. Thompson home Sunday. Mrs. McCurdy is an aunt of Mr. Wisdom.

Clarence Self and Mr. Weathers of Crowell were in Thalia Monday.

W. M. Dickey was in Crowell Monday on business.

Allen Sanders of Crowell was in Thalia Tuesday. Allen has been overseas. He says he has enough of the foreign countries, and is glad he got home without a scratch.

Mrs. T. M. Haney received a message Tuesday that her son, Everett, of Vernon was seriously ill. She and Leta went to his bedside immediately. Her father-in-law died, and Mr. T. M. Haney had not returned from Lubbock. Bob and Tom Abston spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reynolds.

Charles Webb of near Talmage was in Thalia Tuesday.

W. M. Dickey is moving in the house vacated by Kebe Short.

Kebe Short is moving to Bob Hunter's farm east of town, and Bob is moving to town to take possession of the switchboard for the telephone company.

Marvin and Elmer Phillips came home Tuesday night bearing discharges. Elmer has been across for eleven months and has seen some of the real fighting.

Professor J. M. Newman, masseur, is located in front room over the South Side Meat Market. Will relieve all headaches, toothaches, and neuralgia free at the office. Office hours 9 to 6. 10-8tp Adv.

Vital Sermon Themes

WHERE?—First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Vernon, Texas.

BY WHOM?—The Pastor, Rev. Henry F. Brooks.

WHEN?—Sunday, March 9, 1919.

11:00 a. m.—"Baptism of the Holy Ghost—What It Is."

7:30 p. m.—"The World War in Prophecy."

Sunday, March 16th.

11:00 a. m.—"Baptism of the Holy Ghost—Its Necessity."

7:30 p. m.—"Nebuchadnezzar's Image as Related to Present World Events."

Sunday, March 23rd.

11:00 a. m.—"How to Obtain the Baptism of the Holy Ghost—Results Therefrom."

7:30 p. m.—"The Second Coming of Our Christ to Earth."

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Twenty-two former students of the University of Texas who have been in the service have been awarded honor medals, according to data being compiled by Mrs. Charles Stephenson, student cataloger of the University. The data is not yet complete on account of the difficulty of collecting such information, and it is probable that the total number is much larger.

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J. M. Batchelor is at home for a few days stay with his family after looking after his interests in Oklahoma.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR BOYS ORGANIZE BASEBALL CLUB

The members of the Knights of Honor Class of the Methodist Sunday School have formed a baseball club, picking two teams. So far only practice games have been played, but as soon as the teams are tried out a nine will be selected, and some match games are wanted with teams from thirteen to fifteen years old.

Andy Thompson is captain of the Knights of Honor team.

\$50 Reward.

The school authorities of the Lockett school will give \$50 reward for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who tore down the flag pole on the school ground on the night of Monday, February 17. Adv. 14-1tc

Selling at Cost

On account of necessity of closing out the business of W. B. Wright, deceased, I am closing out a complete stock of Jewelry, Watches, Clocks, Cut Glass, etc., at cost.

On account of advances in jewelry prices during the past few months, you can save money by taking advantage of this offer.

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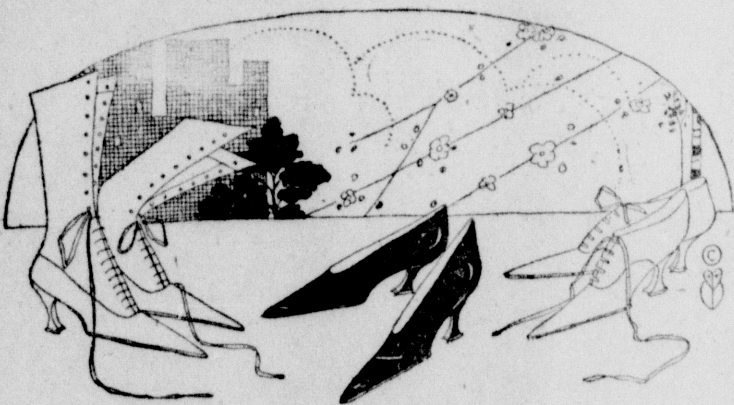
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